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NEXT MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 6, 2015, SOCIALIZE AT 11 am, MEETING STARTS AT 11:45 AM AT TREA 39, 15821 CENTRETECH CIRCLE, AURORA, CO 80011. Please remember to RSVP for the Luncheon to Paul Turner 303-366-6770, cost is \$12.00. LUNCHEONS ARE NOW EVERY MONTH. CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: [HTTP://WWW.OSOMG.ORG](http://www.osomg.org)

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OCTOBER 6, 2015 MINUTES

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of The United States Of America by DO Neary and the Invocation by Joe Broom.

First timer was Dave Thacker.

Guest speaker was Capt Kinder Blacke with 140 Wing Public Affairs. She graduated from Princeton and was in the AFROTC. Then she spent 5 years in the USAF. Now, she has 4 years in the COANG. She briefed us about a mini-deployment of F-16s to Nellis AFB last month- September. Then there will be a double UTA in October 2015 for Inspection preparation using an in house IG Team. There will be increased flying day and night to test wartime readiness skills under the new self- inspection system. During this new inspection criteria, there are no AF inspectors present, but the results are submitted the AF IG team via the internet. They will then perform an oversight review in May of 2016. She announced that with the end of FY 2015 in September that there is plenty of money for FY 2016 and no furloughs are planned. Now, during the holidays there will be a hangar party.

Our first timer was Dave Thacker who had 4 years 9 months in the USAF as personnel specialist and 19 years in the COANG. (continued on page 2)

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(continued from page 1) We will have 44 attendees for The Veteran's Salute at the Wings Museum that will be honoring WWII veterans.

Joyce Saitta briefed us about the NGAUS conference that was held for the officers in Memphis. Also, she said we need more EANGUS members to continue lobbying for retention of 2 days pay for each day of UTA, keep our Tricare for Life benefit and to obtain benefits for ANG folks who are not considered Veterans by current law.

Sick Call: Bob Nelson(Trading Post) and Jan Love.

Taps: John Blackus(WWII B-24 pilot and COANG pilot in the 1950s), Maxine Merten, and Steve Sattler.

Judy Pock said that 988 boxes of crayons were purchased for charitable use.

Birthdays present was Dave Thacker.

What does the CAMANA Club name stand for? Some say it means Civilians, Air Force, Marines, Army, Navy, and ANG. Your opinion?

We adjourned and next month's luncheon menu will be Turkey with the trimmings on Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

OCTOBER 2015 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Sonja Broom	Tony Burczyk
Joe Broom	Larry Sell
Kenneth Forrest	Paul Turner
Judy Pock	Linda Turner
Harry Wales	Monroe Mathias
Don Ford	Joyce Saitta
Don Pipkin	Golden Sherman
Bonnie Rought	
Randy Rought	
*David Thacker	
Sy Harjes	
D O Neary	
Harold Brewer	
Ken McGill	
Dale Bristol	
Andy Andrews	
Arlo Sorheim	

DATE BOOK 2015/2016

December 2015

1st- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON
25TH- CHRISTMAS DAY

January 2016

1st- New Year's Day
5th- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON
18th- Martin Luther King Day

February 2016

2nd- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON
14th- Valentine's Day
15th- President's Day

March 2016

1st- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON
27th- Easter Sunday

April 2016

5th- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON

May 2016

3rd- OSOTMG MEETING AND LUNCHEON
8th- Mother's Day
30th- Memorial Day

Sick Call



Jan Love
Bob Nelson(Trading Post)

Taps



John France	John Blackus
Maxine Merten	Steven Sattler
Johnnie Adams	Mert Herbst(Bob's wife)

NOVEMBR 2015 ATTENDANCE *1ST TIMER

Tony Burczyk	Paul Turner
Bill Frazier	Linda Turner
D O Neary	Dewey Hicks
*Mike Crader	Don Pipkin
Randy Rought	Monroe Mathias
Bonnie Rought	Arlo Sorheim
Kenneth Forrest	Bob Beabout
Tom Ortega	Joyce Saitta
Judy Pock	
Mike Schnurstein	
Susan Schnurstein	
Harry Wales	
Sy Harjes	
*Buzz Allen	
Sonja Broom	
Joe Broom	
Golden Sherman	

DECEMBER 1 LUNCHEON

The DECEMBER meeting will be catered by Golden Sherman. Ham is the main entrée with sides for \$12.00 per person. No dessert will be served. Bring a dessert to share for the group.

RSVP with your check or cash at the meeting OR mail your check made payable to "OSOTMG" and send it to Paul Turner, 1945 Ensenada St., Aurora, CO 80011-5353.

OCTOBER 2015

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS
DON ALLEN
JACQUELINA AYMANI
JEAN BRADLEY
CHARLES CABALLER
BARBARA CAMPBELL
CINDY CRAMER
JIM DISNEY
GENE EDDY
JEANNINE ETTER
MARVIN ETTER
NANCY GLASER
JOHN HOEKSTRA
VICTOR HOOPS
DICK JONES
SHARON JONES
KAREN KAMLA
DEANNA KIRKPATRICK
HERMAN KLAPP
RON KROUPA
KEN KRUMPELMANN
CHRIS LEE
JANIE LITCHTFUSS
DAVE MCDONALD
DAVE MOOS
MARTHA MUELLER

KAROL MUSSLEWHITE
JOE MUZY
DAN NORTH
PATRICIA OELKERS
KIM ORTEGA
TOM PAOLILO
BECKY PARADISE
LINDA PARKER
CAROL PAUL
BILL PELLETIER
SHIRLEY PITTMAN
PATRICIA QUINN
BOB RODEKOH
KENNY ROGERS
JEFF SANFORD
WAYNE SCHULTZ
JEAN SHARPLEY
STEVE STEENROD
DAVE STEPHENS
BOB SWANSON



Birthdays

NOVEMBER 2015

JOAN ALFORD
JIM ALFORD
SANDY BARRON
ILEEN BERNHARDT
TWANA BRIDGMAN
DEBBIE CABLE
RICHARD CARDENAS
WILLIAM CARDINAL
GEORGE CLARK
PAT COLALILLO
ANDREA FITZGERALD
COLLEEN GUNNING
BOBBE HADLEY
BARBARA HOESKTRA
HAROLD JACKSON
SALLY JENSEN
JERRY JONES SR.
JUDIE LEHMAN
DON MANDONADO
MINDY MATHAY
DIANA MCGRAW
CHUCK MCNELLEY
DIANE MILLER
JIM MISKEN
ERIC MOE
DAN MOORE

BILL MUSSLEWHITE
FAITH MUZY
ROBERT QUINN
ELIZABETH ROBERT
RANDY ROUGHT
DELLES SCHNEIDER
EDDIE SHREEVE
KEITH SMITH
MICHELLE STEFFEY
TOM SUPRENANT
STEVE TAYLOR
MAY TRUMBLE
PATRICIA THURMOND
LINDA TURNER
BETTY VALIANT
JIM WILHOIT
JIM WINDERS

NOVEMBER 3, 2015 MINUTES

The meeting opened with D O Neary leading the Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag Of The United States Of America. Joe Broom did the invocation.

The guest speaker was Col Michael Crader, 240 CE Commander. He has been with the unit since 1989 and serves under the 140 Wings command by Col Dunston. He briefed us on current and future Wing activities. First was the funeral and memorial for Major General John France this month. Then the October Readiness Internal IG Inspection went well and showed "Reds" for failures and "Greens" for correct operations. There was a "Hot Wash" (after briefing) with a 4 month window to correct deficiencies. This came as a result of our 4 day drill in October which tested the system and processes. But it did not test our wartime readiness like it was done in the past. It was then posted for the AF IG team on the internet. The AF IG Team will then evaluate us in May 2016 for compliance. This is really different than the IG inspections we had years ago. Also, there will be a "Capstone" exercise in the spring of 2016.

He briefed us on the retirement of LTC T.A. Patterson's in February 2016 with LTC Neff as his replacement.

There will be a deployment of the 120 TFS to Poland in Europe in the Spring of 2016.

The 140 CE along with the AF CE folks and the COARNG are refurbishing a Communications Barn in Slovenia and the 240 CE designed the building.

The 240 CE is doing more domestic deployments to their PACAF, NorthCom, and 1st AF areas of need.

The 233rd Group in Greeley is under the Wing for reporting but is not gained by the 140 Wing.

Sick Call: Jan Love

Taps: Maj Gen John France, Maxine Merten, and Mert Herbst(Bob's Wife)

Buckley has a COARNG cyber team in development at this time the fight internet intrusions into military networks.

Dewey has the tickets for the Veterans Salute at the Wings Museum. About 1000 veterans and friends are due to attend this event.

Joyce Saitta briefed us about the NGACO State Conference will be held in the last weekend of April 2016 and will incorporate a Military Ball. NGACO newsletter is now available via e-mail, so Paul will let all of our retirees know about this. Remember that joining NGACO and EANGUS will help us to retain the current Tricare For Life Health benefits, keep our 2 days pay for one day of drill, and obtain Veteran's benefits for Guardsman who are not considered Veterans at this time. Also, please fill out the survey about your benefits when you receive it via e-mail. You can now join NGACO and EANGUS online.

Birthdays present were Randy Rought, Linda Turner, and Larry Mayo.

We adjourned with the Luncheon menu of Ham and the trimmings for the Tuesday, December 1st meeting.

MAJ GEN JOHN L FRANCE REMEMBERED



VETERAN'S SALUTE NOVEMBER 4 AT WINGS MUSEUM



HOWDY DUTY BY BOB BEABOUT**"AIRBURST" IS BORN**

Phan Rang Vietnam

June 1, 1968

Capt. Bob Beabout, diary entry

"Our call sign was changed to Air-Burst. Isn't that crappy."

The first month the 120th was in Vietnam our call sign was Red Eye. It was discovered that a Navy Squadron was using Red Eye. We got the short end of the stick.

Obviously, there was a lot of consternation about this. Airburst sounded more like an ordinance delivery mistake. Airburst Range and MOA are named in remembrance of the 120th's call sign in Vietnam. When on the alert pad, our call sign was Blade. That sounded more macho.

Here is the rest of that days diary entry:

"Today I flew #3 with Tabor and Flick. My radio transmitter failed, so I couldn't drop. I landed with the bombs still on.

Last night we had an impromptu party for Col. Coomer. He flew with us for 11 missions and is going back home. He was only here for about two weeks. Everyone got pretty drunk. A, C, & D flight hooches got messed up pretty badly. Our hooch missed the party because we all stayed until the last minute and no one had reason to come here looking for us. I slept all afternoon to recover sleep."

B Flight hooch was the survivor.